

## **SINGLE SIGNATURE ELECTRONIC CANDIDATE PETITIONS**

Effective immediately as a measure to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, candidate's can now obtain signatures electronically on a nominating petition. A candidate/designee will still need to complete all of the required documents (i.e. Oath of Allegiance/Pledge of Allegiance, Certificate of Acceptance, etc.) The required documents can be located under the Candidate Information section on the Divisions website. All of the statutory requirements will remain the same. Please see the below instructions on how to complete the electronic nominating petition.

### **Instructions on Completing Electronic Nominating Petition:**

Step 1: Candidate/designee will download the nominating petition from the Division of Elections website.

Step 2: Candidate/designee will save the file to their computer/laptop.

Step 3: Candidate/designee will fill in their information where required.

Step 4: After a candidate/designee completes their information, they will need to save the file again to their computer/laptop.

Step 5: The saved petition can be provided to the petition signers electronically.

The petition signer will need to print, sign, scan the document and return to the candidate. If the petition signer does not have the ability to scan a document, they must create a digital signature and return the electronic file to the candidate.

Please Note: It is the sole responsibility of the candidate/designee to collect the single signature petition forms from the voters.

### **THE TOTAL NUMBER OF REQUIRED SIGNATURES HAS NOT CHANGED.**

**Candidate petitions for United States Senate, United States House of Representatives, N.J. State Senate- 25<sup>th</sup> Legislative District and N.J. General Assembly-25<sup>th</sup> Legislative District must be received by the deadline date, on or before 4:00 p.m. on July 7, 2020. (N.J.S.A. 19:13-9)**